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I PB Affirms Ministry of Communication in Williamsburg    DPS 89078

[Note to editors: This article is based on reports from Michael Barwell, Diocese of Southern Ohio, and is written by Jim Thrall, Diocese of Connecticut, and Jim Solheim, Diocese of Massachusetts.]

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. (DPS, Apr. 27) -- Calling the Episcopal Church and its sense of mission "one of the best-kept secrets," Presiding Bishop Edmond L. Browning reaffirmed his strong commitment to communications at the annual meeting of the national Episcopal Communicators (April 17-20).

Browning spoke at the opening banquet of the largest gathering yet of the professional organization representing those engaged in ministries of communication in the Church.

Ruth Nicastro of Los Angeles, who finished her three-year term as president of Episcopal Communicators, introduced Browning as the person who has done more than anyone else to "raise the ministry of communications in the Church."

Browning told the group that he had come to affirm them in their ministries and that, as his own hope and vision for communication in this Church has broadened, he has become increasingly aware of the importance of the work diocesan, parish, and other communicators do, frequently with limited resources.

"The authentic ministry of communications emulates the powerful and life-changing ministry of Jesus," Browning said. "There is no proclamation without communication."

Particularly at a time of historic and controversial change for the Church, "We can no longer let other people speak for us. We can no longer let other people talk about us," Browning said, "and let the crepe hangers fill the mail boxes of Episcopalians."

"We have a wonderful story to tell," Browning said, of "a Church which is finding itself more inclusive, discovering the





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necessity of seeing its mission not only in evangelism but also in social ministry." He described the Church as one that is "reaching out in compassion, willing to challenge the systems, to combat the isms of our society...a Church that is, thank God, discovering the sacrament of baptism, the ministry of every person."

That kind of Church recently consecrated the Rev. Barbara Harris as suffragan bishop in Massachusetts, the first woman bishop in the 450-year history of the Anglican Church, Browning said. He called it "the most exciting, the most renewing, the most stimulating experience of my ministry" because through it "God was lifting up a new ministry, the tremendous richness of black culture, and a people truly on a pilgrimage."

Browning acknowledged that not everyone shared that sense of excitement, and that, for many, the ordination of women is still deeply disturbing. In a reference to a synod called by the Evangelical and Catholic Mission (ECM), meeting in Fort Worth, Texas, in the first week of June, Browning said, "Many of those people love the Church as much as any of us sitting in this room. But they are feeling scared, angry, betrayed, isolated, and not loved. They are asking, 'What happens from here?' 'Where do we stand?' 'Is there room in the Episcopal Church, or must we go elsewhere?' That story is yet to be told," he said.

The Eames Commission, appointed at last summer's Lambeth Conference of Anglican Bishops to study the impact of women in the episcopate, is "putting together a deeply theological report," Browning said. "What will it say to Fort Worth? What will it say to the Episcopal Church? How will it be read? How will we see God's spirit in that document and what it says about the mission of the Church?" he asked.

The Presiding Bishop finished his speech by saying, "What I am leading to is this: I believe with all my heart that God, in a very mysterious way, in the wisdom that comes from the very nature of God, is bringing the Church to a point asking, who do we want to be? Who





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are we as the people of God? Do we have the inclusiveness to move forward?" Browning concluded that "in the love of Christ and by the love of Christ, we can reflect this kingdom; we can be something more than we are today."

At the banquet, the Episcopal Communicators honored its 11 founders and presented its first Janet Pierce Memorial Award, to Salome Breck, one of those founders, a former editor of the Colorado Episcopalian and active in establishing the Journal of Women's Ministries. The award, named for the managing editor of The Episcopalian who died last year, will be given occasionally to "those who live the life, ideals and goals of Janet Pierce."

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PHOTO CAPTIONS:

(89078/1) The Rt. Rev. Claude C. Vaché, Bishop of Southern Virginia, distributes communion to Episcopal Communicators at a closing Eucharist offered outdoors in Jamestown, at the site of the first church built by the English colony in 1617. Credit: Jim Solheim

(89078/2) Salome Breck (right), veteran Church journalist from Colorado, was doubly honored at the Episcopal Communicators' banquet. She receives the congratulations of Ruth Nicastro (left) and the Presiding Bishop for receiving the organization's first Janet Pierce Memorial Award (which she is holding); and she was one of Episcopal Communicator's 11 founders, who were also honored at the banquet. Credit: Jim Rosenthal

(89078/3) Ruth Nicastro (right), outgoing president of Episcopal Communicators, congratulates the group's newly elected leader, Mary Lee Simpson, Diocese of Southwestern Virginia. Credit: Jim Solheim

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II Communicators Discuss New National Publication     DPS 89078

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. (DPS, Apr. 27) -- Plans for a new national publication for the Episcopal Church and a moratorium on the 18 periodicals now coming from the Episcopal Church Center stirred the most discussion at the annual meeting of the Episcopal Communicators (April 17-20).

Sonia Francis, Executive for Communication at the Church Center, outlined the process that will produce a specific proposal for a national publication in time for the June meeting, in Pittsburgh, of the Executive Council. Four committees are at work on that proposal: one dealing with finances; another dealing with the transition from The Episcopalian to the new publication; a periodicals task force for those Church Center periodicals affected by the proposed moratorium; and an editorial planning committee for the new publication.

The editorial committee will meet during May to help develop a mock-up of the new publication for presentation to Executive Council in June, Francis told the communicators. "This is not our original sequence," she said. "We were looking for a communications strategy first. When The Episcopalian announced that it could not continue without subsidy, it set in motion another sequence. Plans for a new publication are now driving the strategy," she continued.

After Francis introduced Jim Solheim, who is being appointed News Director in the Office of Communication, and Kris Lee, who outlined what the Church is doing in telecommunications, the session was opened for discussion. Strong reservations and frustrations emerge, and because there was little time remaining on the agenda, a special informal session was set up for that evening. It was attended by almost half the group, and was described as both "spirited" and "Spirit-led."

The communicators expressed deep doubts about plans for the new publication. Many wondered how the publication would be financed,





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for example, and what would happen to the present staff of The Episcopalian. Concerns surfaced about the editorial integrity and freedom of a publication coming from the Church Center. Several participants said that no matter how the publication is set up, it will be viewed as a "house organ."

"This is a huge step taken in a big hurry," said one editor, who pointed out that the Church's professional communicators had no time to react to the decisions. "The Church hasn't yet been asked whether or not it even wants a new national publication," said another editor.

Several editors said that the new publication could have a significant impact on their own work at the diocesan level. One person said her bishop had already questioned continued support of a diocesan newspaper if the national newspaper were adequate. Another editor said that his bishop had responded in the opposite manner; that his diocese might be interested in cooperating with a national publication if it were better than the present Episcopalian. Yet another said that there was some talk of starting a diocesan paper if the new publication looked too much like a "mouthpiece for management."

"A communications strategy must come first, even if it delays the present process," said one participant who seemed to express the frustration of a majority of the communicators. A committee chaired by Jim Rosenthal of Chicago worked on a resolution for the final plenary session in Williamsburg.

The resolution, presented to the next business session, provoked more discussion but was finally passed unanimously. The resolution affirmed the General Convention's call for "development of a comprehensive, long-range communications strategy." February's action by the Executive Council "diverted these efforts toward investigation of a unified publication strategy and the possible June 1989 moratorium ...."





The resolution pointed out the "interdependence of communications at both the national and diocesan levels in all media" and asked that the action of the Executive Council be "reconsidered and that no action on a moratorium be taken until there has been sufficient time to examine the issues before the Church." Among the issues cited were "the need for a unified publication strategy and the need for a comprehensive communications strategy for the Episcopal Church, allowing more time for all who will be affected, especially staff, to contribute to the development of this strategy and that The Episcopalian be continued in this time of study."

For the closing Eucharist of the meeting, the communicators went to nearby Jamestown and worshiped on the site of the first church built by the English colony in 1617. A tower from the brick church built on the same location in 1647 is the only structure that survives the historic settlement. Bishop Charles Vaché of the Diocese of Southern Virginia celebrated the Eucharist at a spot just outside the church, on the banks of the James River. Bishop John Krumm, who had served as a meditation leader during the meeting, was homilist.

The Episcopal Communicators Resolution is attached.

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TO: SONIA FRANCIS  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH CENTER, NEW YORK

RE: RESOLUTION OF EPISCOPAL COMMUNICATORS

R E S O L U T I O N

Whereas, we the members of Episcopal Communicators, media professionals in this Church, affirm the call by the General Convention for the "development of a comprehensive long-range communications strategy"; and

Whereas, we were encouraged by the efforts toward such a strategy and urge that these efforts be continued, so that the vision of the Presiding Bishop and the Executive Council with communication as a mission imperative be realized; and

Whereas, the action of the Executive Council on February 15, 1989, diverted these efforts toward investigation of a unified publication strategy and the possible June 1989 moratorium on the publication of other periodicals supported through the National Church budget; and

Whereas, we believe that there is an interdependence of communications at both the national and diocesan levels in all media, which must be respected and reflected in any strategy; therefore,

Be it resolved, that the action of the Executive Council on February 15 be reconsidered, and that no action on a moratorium be taken until there has been sufficient time to examine the issues before the Church, that is: the need for a unified publication strategy, and the need for a comprehensive communications for the Episcopal Church, allowing more time for all who will be affected, especially staff, to contribute to the development of this strategy and that THE EPISCOPALIAN be continued in this time of study.

Signed:

Salome Breck  
David Houston  
The Rev. Joseph Nieman  
The Rev. Charles Long  
Charles Andy Taylor  
Jean Wylie-Kellerman  
Susan Erdey  
Bob Williams  
James M. Rosenthal, chairman





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III Communicators Announce Awards, Elect Officers     DPS 89078

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. (DPS, Apr. 27) -- As it does every year, the Episcopal Communicators attempts to "identify and recognize outstanding publications and electronic media programs and to educate and raise professional standards" through its awards program to honor the work of its members. At its Williamsburg meeting, some 60 Polly Bond Awards were given in the print media, and nine in electronic media. The awards are named for the late Polly Bond, one of the founders of the organization.

Among the top winners this year in the General Excellence competition were an independent magazine published in Philadelphia, and diocesan newspapers from Los Angeles, Ohio, North Dakota, and Michigan.

Taking the top prize, the Award of Excellence, in the category of newspapers with a circulation of over 12,000 was the Episcopal News, published by the Diocese of Los Angeles, and edited by Ruth Nicastro. The paper won the award last year as well. An Award of Merit was given to Church Life, published by the Diocese of Ohio.

For newspapers with a circulation of under 12,000, the Award of Excellence went to The Sheaf, published by the Diocese of North Dakota. An Award of Merit went to The Record, published by the Diocese of Michigan.

The Award of Excellence for Magazines went to The Witness, published by the Episcopal Church Publishing Company in Philadelphia.

Among the top winners in other categories was The Anglican Advance, published by the Diocese of Chicago; The Communicant, published by the Diocese of North Carolina; and the Virginia Episcopalian, published by the Diocese of Virginia.

A complete list of awards follows this article.



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The Episcopal Communicators also elected officers and board members. Elected to a three-year term as president was Mary Lee Simpson of the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia. Elected to board positions were Barbara Benedict, Diocese of Colorado; Jim Rosenthal, Diocese of Chicago; and Jim Thrall, Diocese of Connecticut.

Communicators reported a membership of 141; almost 40 of them new members in the last year.

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POLLY BOND AWARD WINNERS  
1989

NEWS WRITING (Circulation 12,000 and over)

Award of Excellence  
The Voice - Diocese of Newark

Award of Merit

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NEWS WRITING (Circulation under 12,000)

Award of Excellence  
The Sheaf - Diocese of North Dakota

Award of Merit

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NEWS -FEATURE WRITING (Circulation 12,000 and over)

Award of Excellence  
Soundings - Diocese of Minnesota

Award of Merit  
Diocese - Diocese of Central Florida

NEWS-FEATURE WRITING (circulation under 12,000)

Award of Excellence  
Journal of Women's Ministries

Award of Merit  
Plenteous Harvest - Diocese of Kansas

FEATURE WRITING (Circulation 12,000 and over)

Award of Excellence  
The Anglican Digest

Award of Merit  
Church Life - Diocese of Ohio

FEATURE WRITING (Circulation under 12,000)

Award of Excellence  
Virginia Seminary Journal

Award of Merit

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EDITORIAL WRITING (Circulation 12,000 and over)

Award of Excellence  
Advance - Diocese of Chicago

Award of Merit  
Communicant -Diocese of North Carolina

EDITORIAL WRITING (Circulation under 12,000)

Award of Excellence  
Church Facts - Diocese of Western New York

Award of Merit  
The Advocate - Diocese of Lexington





REGULAR/OCCASIONAL COLUMN (Circulation 12,000 and over)

Award of Excellence  
The Voice - Diocese of Newark

Award of Merit

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REGULAR/OCCASIONAL COLUMN (Circulation under 12,000)

Award of Excellence  
Church Facts - Diocese of Western New York

Award of Merit

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SERIES OF A SINGLE SUBJECT (Circulation 12,000 and over)

Award of Excellence  
Convention Daily - Episcopal Church Center

Award of Merit

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SERIES ON A SINGLE SUBJECT (Circulation under 12,000)

Award of Excellence  
The Witness

Award of Merit  
The Advocate - Diocese of Lexington

HEADLINES (Circulation 12,000 and over)

Award of Excellence  
Church Life - Diocese of Ohio

Award of Merit  
Advance - Diocese of Chicago

HEADLINES (Circulation under 12,000)

Award of Excellence  
Cross Current - Diocese of East Carolina

Award of Merit  
The Diocesan - Diocese of Florida

Creative Treatment of a Routine Subject (Circulation 12,000 and over)

Award of Excellence  
Via Media - Diocese of New Jersey

Award of Merit  
Episcopal Church News - Diocese of Los Angeles

CREATIVE TREATMENT OF A ROUTINE SUBJECT (Circulation under 12,000)

Award of Excellence  
Diocese of Southwest Virginia

Award of Merit

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FRONT PAGE (Circulation 12,000 and over)

Award of Excellence

Via Media - Diocese of New Jersey

Award of Merit

Episcopal Church News - Diocese of Los Angeles

FRONT PAGE (Circulation under 12,000)

Award of Excellence

The Advocate - Diocese of Lexington

Award of Merit

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COVER DESIGN (MAGAZINE) (Circulation 12,000 and over)

Award of Excellence

Advance - Diocese of Chicago

Award of Merit

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COVER DESIGN (MAGAZINE) (Circulation under 12,000)

Award of Excellence

The Piedmont Churchman - Diocese of Upper South Carolina

Award of Merit

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LAYOUT (MAGAZINE)

No award

LAYOUT (NEWSPAPER) (Circulation 12,000 and over)

Award of Excellence

Virginia Episcopalian - Diocese of Virginia

Award of Merit

Colorado Episcopalian - Diocese of Colorado

LAYOUT (NEWSPAPER) (Circulation under 12,000)

Award of Excellence

Diocese of East Carolina

Award of Merit

Spirit - Diocese of West Missouri

ORIGINAL GRAPHICS (Circulation 12,000 and over)

Award of Excellence

Communicant - Diocese of North Carolina

Awards of Merit

Virginia Episcopalian - Diocese of Virginia

Soundings - Diocese of Minnesota

ORIGINAL GRAPHICS (Circulation under 12,000)

Award of Excellence

Journal of Women's Ministries

Award of Merit





SERIES PHOTOGRAPHY (Circulation 12,000 and over)

Award of Excellence - Black and White  
Advance - Diocese of Chicago

Award of Excellence - Color  
Episcopal Church News - Diocese of Los Angeles

Award of Merit  
Communicant - Diocese of North Carolina

SERIES PHOTOGRAPHY (Circulation 12,000 and under)

Award of Excellence  
The Witness

Award of Merit  
The Record - Diocese of Michigan

SINGLE PHOTO (Circulation 12,000 and over)

Award of Excellence  
Advance - Diocese of Chicago

Award of Merit  
Episcopal Church News - Diocese of Los Angeles

SINGLE PHOTO - (Circulation under 12,000)

Award of Excellence  
The Advocate - Diocese of Lexington

Award of Merit  
Seminary of the Southwest

SPECIAL CATEGORY (Circulation 12,000 and over )

No award

SPECIAL CATEGORY (Circulation under 12,000)

Award of Excellence  
Our Biblical Roots

Award of Merit  
1988-89 Youth Ministries

HUMOR (Circulation 12,000 and over)

Award of Excellence  
Diocese of Florida

Award of Merit  
Diocese of Ohio

HUMOR (Circulation under 12,000)

Award of Excellence  
The Witness

Award of Merit  
Journal of Women's Ministries





INSERTS (Circulation 12,000 and over)

Award of Excellence  
Jamestown Cross

Award of Merit  
Church Life

INSERTS (Circulation under 12,000)

No Award

GENERAL EXCELLENCE (MAGAZINE)

Award of Excellence  
The Witness

Award of Merit

GENERAL EXCELLENCE (NEWSPAPER) Circulation 12,000 and over)

Award of Excellence  
Episcopal News - Diocese of Los Angeles

Award of Merit  
Church Life - Diocese of Ohio

GENERAL EXCELLENCE (NEWSPAPER) (Circulation under 12,000

Award of Excellence  
The Sheaf - Diocese of North Dakota

Award of Merit  
The Record - Diocese of Michigan

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#### ELECTRONICS DIVISION

AWARD OF EXCELLENCE RADIO BROADCAST

Episcopal Series of the Protestant Hour

AWARD OF MERIT RADIO BROADCAST

Diocese of Connecticut

AWARD OF EXCELLENCE AUDIO NON-BROADCAST

Conversations of Canterbury (Kansas)

AWARD OF MERIT AUDIO NON-BROADCAST

AWARD OF EXCELLENCE VIDEO BROADCAST

Mission

AWARD OF MERIT VIDEO BROADCAST

Christmas Eve at St. Phillip



AWARD OF EXCELLENCE VIDEO NON-BROADCAST  
Doers of the Word

AWARD OF MERIT VIDEO NON-BROADCAST  
Sacred Trust

AWARD OF EXCELLENCE SPECIALIZED MEDIA  
The Story of the Episcopal Church

AWARD OF MERIT SPECIALIZED MEDIA  
Eastern Shore Chapel - a Bright and Beautiful Place

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JUDGES FOR THE 1989 POLLY BOND COMPETITION :

Jim Greene - Managing Editor, THE LEXINGTON HERALD-LEADER  
David Green - City Editor - The LEXINGTON HERALD -LEADER  
Merlene Davis - Featured Columnist - THE LEXINGTON HERALD-LEADER  
Rick Bailey - Religion Editor - THE LESINGTON HERALD-LEADER  
Linda Harvey - Editor - The Roman Catholic MESSENGER  
Suzanne Concannon Cassidy - Editor - BLUEGRASS MAGAZINE  
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Honduras Ordains Five to Diaconate

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SAN PEDRO SULA, Honduras (DPS, Apr. 27) -- Honduras has been torn by civil strife in recent years, and its churches have suffered as have many institutions and individuals in the country. The Episcopal Diocese of Honduras has been hard hit, too. However, there are now beginning to be signs of hope and renewal. The Diocese of Central Florida, the Diocese of Honduras's companion diocese for the last 16 years, takes special pride in the renewal.

New congregations are springing up in isolated mountain villages, in the cities, and along the coast to the Guatemalan border. In the nearly inaccessible Mosquitia, as the coastal area is called, the Church is very much alive and engaged with and for the people.

There are other congregations waiting to be born in areas that have not seen an Episcopal priest for a generation. They send messengers to the bishops saying, "Bring us the word of God; our children will be old before they hear it." However, there have never been enough priests in the diocese to answer their pleas; never enough to nurture the people in the faith and to plant and sustain permanent congregations.

Recently, the Diocese of Honduras, one of the fastest growing dioceses in the Episcopal Church, took two giant steps toward a wider, stronger ministry to the Honduran people. It ordained five young Hondurans to the diaconate and named one of its churches as its cathedral.

Until this year's ordinations, only one Honduran Episcopalian has served in the country's ordained ministry, the Rev. Albert Brooks. Brooks, who is now a priest in La Ceiba and president of the diocese's standing committee, went to the United States and Mexico for his seminary training. His ordination to the diaconate in 1971 was the last ordination of a deacon in the Diocese of Honduras until this year. All other priests serving in the Honduran Episcopal Church have



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come from the United States and Europe, Chile, Nicaragua, and Guatemala. Honduras's two Episcopal bishops, Hugo Pina and Leopold Frade, are refugees who were originally Cubans.

In Frade's words, "The time has come for Hondurans from the people to minister to their own."

The five men ordained to the diaconate by Frade are Francisco Midence, Hector Madrid, Lloyd Allen, Oscar Lopez, and Marcos Solorzano. They come from various parts of the country. Lloyd Allen studied in the United States at St. Luke's Seminary in Sewanee and at the Seminary of the Southwest. The other men have come through the Diocese of Honduras's theological education program. In this program, men and women meeting in their own communities under priest-mentors study the faith, history, and practices of the Church. As they study, they minister, teach, and preach in their own mission congregations.

Diaconal ordination for the five followed two years of study in the diocese's residential seminary. As they continue their studies leading to ordination to the priesthood, they serve congregations throughout the diocese. Presently, there are 20 postulants preparing for ordination to the diaconate.

Some 650 people packed the Church of the Good Shepherd (La Iglesia del Buen Pastor) in San Pedro Sula for the ordination ceremony. At the same service, the church was designated the cathedral for the diocese. The church, completed in 1985, was built with funds from the United Thank Offering, the Episcopal Church Building Fund, the Diocese of Southeast Florida, and the Diocese of Central Florida.

A number of churches in the dioceses of Southeast Florida and Central Florida pledged to repay the building loans -- and the interest on the loans -- of the Church of the Good Shepherd. Episcopalians in Bishop Gray Inn for Older People and in the Episcopal retirement homes in Davenport and Lake Worth, Florida, have promised to contribute \$300, every year for ten years, to the church in San Pedro Sula.





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PHOTO CAPTION:

(89079) The Rt. Rev. Leopold Frade, Episcopal Bishop of Honduras (center), with five young Hondurans whom he has just ordained to the diaconate: (from the left) Marcos Solorzano, Oscar Lopez, Hector Madrid, Lloyd Allen, and Francisco Midence.

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Solheim Appointed News Director at Church Center

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NEW YORK (DPS, Apr. 27) -- The Presiding Bishop has announced the appointment of James E. Solheim as News Director in the Department of Communication at the Episcopal Church Center, replacing the Rev. William D. Dearnaley, who left the post in 1988. Solheim is currently Director of Communications of the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts and editor of the Massachusetts diocesan paper, Episcopal Times.

The News Director's role in the overall communication strategy of the Episcopal Church is a major one, functioning as the principal Church spokesperson and acting as a key figure in the dissemination of news to the secular and religious media -- and to the communication network of the Episcopal Church.

Solheim, who will assume his duties at the Church Center on June 26, has a wide experience in religious journalism. He was the founding editor and designer of Event, a monthly magazine dealing with social issues (1968-74); associate editor of A.D. Magazine (1977-83); editor of World Encounter (1984-88), and associate director of interpretation for the world mission office of the Lutheran Church in America. He has been editor, since 1983, of Grapevine, the monthly newsletter of the Joint Strategy and Action Committee (JSAC), a coalition of the national mission agencies of 14 Protestant Churches.

Solheim is a graduate of St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota, and holds graduate degrees from Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota, and Columbia University.

He became a familiar figure to many communication people in the Episcopal Church during the historic period in which Barbara C. Harris was elected suffragan in Massachusetts, affirmed, and consecrated, becoming the first woman bishop in the history of the Anglican Communion. Solheim played a major role in disseminating and interpreting the news generated by this international event.

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Carranza-Gomez Elected in Mexico

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MEXICO CITY (DPS, Apr. 27) -- The Rev. Sergio Carranza -Gomez was elected bishop of the Diocese of Mexico on the ninth ballot at a special convention held March 18, 1989 at the Chapel of St. Andrew's Theological Seminary here, having led with a simple majority form the first ballot. The other candidates were the Rt. Rev. Martiniano Garcia-Montiel, suffragan of the Diocese of Mexico, and the Rev. Adalberto Reyes-Avila, vicar of El Espiritu Santo, D.F., who withdrew after two ballots.

The Diocese of Mexico is one of the three jurisdictions of the Diocese of Central and South Mexico, which was given permission to divide at The 69th General Convention last summer. The Central Diocese, meeting for her first convention on January 15, voted, as the continuing diocese, to resume the name Diocese of Mexico. This convention therefore became the 76th, and Carranza will become the 6th bishop of the diocese.

The Rt. Rev. Jose G. Saucedo, who on January 14th, completed 31 years as Bishop first of the Diocese of Mexico and then of the Diocese of Central and South Mexico, elected to become the first bishop of the new Episcopal Diocese of Cuernavaca (Anglican).

Carranza, 47, was born in Mexico City into a family with a long Anglican tradition. He was graduated form the National Autonomous University of Mexico with a licentiate in Spanish letters. At Virginia Theological Seminary in the United States he received a master's in Theology. He was ordained to the diaconate and the priesthood in 1967.

Initiating his ordained ministry in Monterrey as vicar of La Sagrada FAmilia, Holy Family and San Pablo, he then went to Mexico City as Dean and professor of St. Andrew's Seminary. He was Associate Rector of Christ Church Parish for six years. In 1974 Carranza founded the Mission Universitaria del Seminario de San Andres, now the



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Parish of San Jorge, of which he is Rector. Apart from the English-speaking congregations, San Jorge is the only economically self-sufficient congregation of the diocese.

Carranza was one of the translators into Spanish of the Book of Common Prayer, and he has contributed diverse articles to various religious and secular publications.

In addition to having occupied several national and diocesan positions, on the international level he was Chancellor of the Ninth Province of the Episcopal Church for 12 years and Executive Secretary for four. He was also one of two Latin American delegates to the Anglican Consultative Council (ACC) at its meetings in Kenya and Ireland, a deputy to four General Conventions, a representative of the Episcopal Church at the last Assembly of the World Council of Churches, and a member of the Executive Council of the Episcopal Church.

Until Carranza's consecration the Standing Committee continues as the Ecclesiastical Authority of the diocese.

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Howe Consecrated in Central Florida

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WINTER PARK, Fla. (DPS, Apr. 27) -- On April 15, more than 4,000 people filled Calvary Assembly's worship center with song and prayer for the consecration of the Rt. Rev. John Wadsworth Howe as bishop coadjutor of the Diocese of Central Florida.

Presiding Bishop Edmond L. Browning was principal consecrator. Browning and 15 other bishops laid their hands on Howe, the former rector of Truro Episcopal Church in Fairfax, Virginia. Howe will succeed Central Florida's diocesan bishop, the Rt. Rev. William H. Folwell, when Folwell retires at the end of 1989.

Music played an important part in the consecration liturgy. A choir of 450 voices was drawn from 80 parishes of the Diocese of Central Florida. The Truro Singers, a folk group, were among the many visitors from Virginia who participated in the liturgy.

The Rt. Rev. Peter Lee, diocesan of Virginia, preached the sermon.

Because of the large number of people who wished to be part of Howe's consecration ceremony, more space was needed than the Cathedral Church of St. Luke in Orlando could provide. Therefore, the cathedral altar was moved to Calvary Assembly in suburban Winter Park, where up to 5,000 participants and guests could be accommodated.

Howe, who is 46 years old, became rector of Truro 13 years ago. Membership stood at about 600 people. At the time of his election in Central Florida, Truro's membership had grown to about 3,000 people.

The 15-county Diocese of Central Florida was formed when the Diocese of South Florida was partitioned in 1969. There are now about 40,000 Episcopalians in Central Florida.

Co-consecrators were the Rt. Rev. Adrian D. Caceres, Bishop of Ecuador; Bishop Folwell, diocesan of Central Florida; the Rt. Rev. William C. Frey, Bishop of Colorado; and the Rt. Rev. Alden Moinet Hathaway, Bishop of Pittsburgh.





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Anglicans in the Americas Plan Gathering

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SAN JOSE, Costa Rica (DPS, Apr. 27) -- On April 7-8, the first planning meeting was held in San José, Costa Rica, for a worldwide Anglican Gathering of Women and Men to be held on March 8-13, 1992, sponsored by the Anglican Churches of the Americas. The Primates of the six provinces were invited to send one or two representatives. The gathering will be jointly planned, organized, and funded by the six provinces, with participation from the rest of the Communion.

Those attending this first planning meeting were the Rev. Nilda Anaya, Caribbean Anglican Women's Organization; Trinita Chollete, Anglican Church of Costa Rica; Betty Djerf, conference consultant; Diana Frade, Province IX; Joanna Gajardo, Episcopal Church USA; Dorothy Gregson, Anglican Church of Canada; Hilda de Monzon, Anglican Church of Costa Rica; Jean Rowles, Anglican Church of Canada; and Ann Smith, Episcopal Church USA.

Guests included the Rt. Rev. Cornelius Wilson, Bishop of Costa Rica; Bridget Buck, Anglican Church of Costa Rica; and Beatriz Ferrari, coordinator of the Women's Program for the Latin American Council of Churches (CLAI).

The Anglican Gathering for Women and Men will be an integral part of Anglican participation in the Ecumenical Decade, Churches in Solidarity with Women 1988-1990 (ECUDEC), declared by the World Council of Churches as a response to the United Nations Women's Decade. The Anglican gathering will adopt the ECUDEC theme, "Justice, Peace and the Integrity of Creation."

The purpose of the Anglican gathering in 1992 is to:

- build a community between women and men in the struggle for the kingdom of God;
- provide a biblical reinterpretation from our different perspectives and realities;



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- be involved in critical reevaluation of the patriarchal system;
- develop continuing communication networks;
- create support systems that sustain the vision of a transformed Church.

Preparations for, during, and after the gathering will challenge participants to affirm women's contributions to the Church of both content and style; to make known the history of women in our churches and in our countries; and to affirm women's commitment to diakonia, justice, and social work. The gathering will explore new ways of exercising power, giving equal place to women and men, and of affirming that we have all been "created in the image of God."

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[FEATURE] SPEAK Spreads the Word

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by Arthur Ben Chitty

EUREKA SPRINGS, Ark. (DPS, Apr. 27) -- One of the Episcopal Church's most unusual and furthest-reaching missionary enterprises originates -- not in some distant corner of the world -- but in Eureka Springs, Arkansas. The enterprise is linked to the printed word and is associated with many names and titles -- best known are Hillspeak, SPEAK, and The Anglican Digest, names coined by its founder, the Rev. Howard Lane Foland, the legendary "Father Foland," who retired in 1980.

The complex international operation at Eureka Springs is now controlled by a board chaired by the Rev. Edward Lloyd Salmon, rector of the Church of St. Michael and St. George in St. Louis. Foland originally moved to the historic, nineteenth-century spa in 1960 from Nevada, Missouri, to extend his "ministry of the Word."

The huge, modernized "Red Barn" that houses the offices, mail rooms, computers, files, and mailing lists is located on 1,100 acres of Ozark hilltop, at an average altitude of 1,500 feet above sea level. A new water system, to be fed from a well pumping 250 gallons of water per minute, is lacking only a 28,000 tank to become operational, which many of their neighbors are eager to tap into as well.

An endowment of \$1 million, not including the value of the land, enables the Society for Promoting and Encouraging the Arts and Knowledge [of the Church]--SPEAK--to carry out the mission implied by its title. The endowment is being increased by bequests. SPEAK's influence reaches every continent through the five divisions of its work. These are known by in-house acronyms: TAD, EBC, TAB, OPA, and TFL.

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TAD -- The Anglican Digest -- reaches nearly 250,000 readers worldwide, the biggest circulation in its 30-year history. Formerly a quarterly, it now goes out six times a year. Recently added are the full mailing list of the Diocese of South Carolina, all of the Anglican clergy in Canada, all of the bishops (plus selected clergy) in England, and a large scattering in Australia. Any person wanting to receive the magazine is placed on the mailing list free, although contributions are encouraged.

EBC -- the Episcopal Book Club -- the oldest member of the Hillspeak conglomerate, started in 1953 in the garage of the rectory of All Saints' Church in Nevada, Missouri, and has now grown to a membership of 3,000. Each member pays \$30 a year for four book selections.

TAB --The Anglican Bookstore -- is the youngest of the SPEAK family, born in 1987. Its sales have risen sharply from 150 volumes in January 1987 to 3,000 volumes in June 1988. Selection of the religion-related books and videotapes carried by the bookstore is made by Bishop Michael Marshall of England, a total of 93 titles having been offered by listings in TAD. They are sold at an average discount of 35 percent. Madeleine L'Engle leads a list of authors by placing three books in the top ten of sales, but David Barratt, with his evaluation of C. S. Lewis, ranks number one for a single volume.

OPA --Operation Pass Along-- has been a success since its inception in 1972. It has been nursed by resident manager Walt Swindells, guardian angel of the whole Hillspeak venture, who appeared on the scene in that year, after retiring from the United States Marine Corps. Swindells functions as accountant, engineer, computer expert, construction man, architect, and administrator. The principle of OPA is simple. Books are received free from individual donors, clergy libraries, publishers' overstocks, and bargain purchases. They are sent on request --free-- to priests (many in Third World countries), seminaries overseas, schools, seamen's missions, prisons, Alaskan Indians, and parish libraries. Of 53,000 volumes received,



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44,000 have been passed along. There are now 900 requests in the computer that will be serviced when the volumes are located. Almost-good-as-new Prayer Books and Hymnals are sought from parishes prosperous and/or generous enough to send them. The books find their way to missions where such volumes are rare.

TFL is The Foland Library, soon to be completed. It will offer air-conditioned space for writers and researchers. A guest house will provide shelter for those with long-term writing projects.

No account of SPEAK can be concluded without mentioning its relationship to the new Anglican Institute, headed by the Rt. Rev. Michael Marshall. This charismatic preacher has provided a new dimension in the spreading of the Word, from the pulpit and on the air by videotapes and sound cassettes. The honorary suffragan of London was originally lured to St. Louis by SPEAK's board chairman, Fr. Salmon. SPEAK participates in underwriting the Anglican Institute, a ministry unique in the Episcopal Church. Bishop Marshall's live speaking and preaching engagements are scheduled as much as two years in advance.

"We sense we are on the cutting edge of Gospel communication," Salmon has said. "By adding electronic media to those of printing and preaching, and by extending all of them to the worldwide Anglican Communion, we are amplifying the volume and the meaning of Christ's message."

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Oversee and direct diocesan information media by working with the managing editor to maintain coverage of the diocese and publish monthly The Episcopal Times; by exploring the use of video to reinforce print media; and by participating in the production of cathedral radio broadcasts.

Provide assistance to the bishop and his staff in communication policy and strategy, and in the publication of brochures, fliers, and newsletters.

Provide communications resources for regions, parishes, committees, and commissions.

Experience/Skills Required: At least five years of professional communications experience; a generalist background in the field of communications, specializing in print media with some experience in electronic media; a sense and "feel" for the unique culture of the Episcopal Church; familiarity with desktop publishing essential, preferably MAC-Pagemaker; photography skills desirable.



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Application: Letter of application, including a resume, should be sent to Mrs. Patricia C. Nason, Administrator, Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts, 138 Tremont Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02111.

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THE CHURCH IN BRIEF

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Forward Movement Announces New Advisory Board

Cincinnati (DPS, Apr. 27) -- The executive committee of Forward Movement Publications has announced the appointment of a new advisory board to assist in the development of editorial policy and in the evaluation of manuscripts and to improve communication between the Cincinnati-based leadership of the popular publishing company and its readers around throughout the Episcopal Church.

Business operations of Forward Movement Publications are supervised by an executive committee appointed by the Presiding Bishop. This committee includes Bishop John Krumm, chair; Bishop Edward Jones, diocesan of Indiana, vice-chair; the Rev. Charles Long, editor of Forward Movement Publications; and four laypersons from the Cincinnati area -- N. Beverly Tucker, Paul Meyers, James Lied, and Naomi Stoehr.

Advisory board members are Bishop Herbert A. Donovan, Jr., diocesan of Arkansas; Bishop Herbert Thompson, Jr., diocesan of Southern Ohio; Sonia Francis, Executive for Communication at the Episcopal Church Center; Dr. James W. Kennedy, former editor of Forward Movement; Richard L. Crawford, publisher of The Episcopalian; Roy Larsen, editor of The Chicago Reporter; the Rev. Marilyle Sweet Page, rector of St. Peter's Church, Henrietta, New York, and a member of the Executive Council of the Episcopal Church; the Rev. Louis C. Schueddig of the Episcopal Radio-TV Foundation; Cynthia Shattuck, editorial director of Cowley Press; Christopher Walters-Bugbee, director of communications for Trinity Parish, New York; Ruth Nicastro, editor of The Episcopal Times, Los Angeles, and national chairman of the Episcopal Communicators; and the Rev. Harrison T. Simons, director of Education/Liturgy Resources and rector of St. Stephen's Church, Oxford, North Carolina.



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A combined meeting of the executive committee and the advisory board -- and guests -- will be held in Cincinnati on May 16 and 17.

The Forward Movement was established as a not-for-profit agency of the General Convention of the Episcopal Church in 1934. It publishes educational, devotional, and pastoral resources, including Forward Day by Day and The Anglican Cycle of Prayer, for personal and parish use in the United States, Canada, and other parts of the Anglican Communion.

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Seminary Offers Lecture on Jewish Spirituality

NEW YORK (DPS, Apr. 27) -- Two programs of New York City's General Theological Seminary, the Center for Christian Spirituality and the Center for Jewish-Christian Studies and Relations, are sponsoring a discussion, "Illuminating Jewish Spirituality," on May 4 at 7:30 P.M. in the seminary's Seabury Auditorium.

Dr. Arthur Green, president of the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College in Wyncote, Pennsylvania, will talk about "The Spiritual Life of Judaism: Comments of a Participant-Observer." A scholar in the field of Jewish mysticism and Hasidism, he is author of Tormented Master: A Life of Rabbi Nahman of Bratslav and is editor of Jewish Spirituality, a volume of the multivolume work World Spirituality: An Encyclopedic History of the Religious Quest. Green is also an editor of the new Reconstructionist Sabbath prayer book.

Responding to Green will be the Rev. Robert C. Morris, a graduate of General Seminary and director of Interweave Center at Calvary Church, Summit, New Jersey, an interreligious center for personal and spiritual growth. His focus is on those parts of the mystical tradition that provide insights for the contemporary Church.

In announcing this event, General Seminary's dean, the Very Rev. James Fenhagen, said that the seminary is enriched by the two centers it houses: "The Center for Christian Spirituality, with the Rev. Margaret B. Guenther as director," Fenhagen said, "offers training for clergy and laity who wish to deepen their skills as



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spiritual guides. The Center for Jewish-Christian Studies and Relations is a resource and teaching center for dialogue."

For further information, write to the Center for Christian Spirituality and the Center for Jewish-Christian Studies and Relations at General Theological Seminary, 175 Ninth Avenue, New York, NY 10011; tel. (212) 243-5150.

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#### ECM Representatives Meet Archbishop

LONDON (DPS, Apr. 27) -- Representatives and officers of the Evangelical and Catholic Mission (ECM), a group of traditionalist bishops, clergy, and laity within the Episcopal Church of the United States, were received by the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Rev. Robert Runcie, at Lambeth Palace on April 6.

The ECM group was led by its president, the Rt. Rev. Clarence C. Pope, Jr., diocesan of Fort Worth. In March, Pope led group presentations from the ECM to the Archbishop's Commission on Communion and Women in the Episcopate, chaired by the Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland, the Most. Rev. Robert Eames, during the commission's second meeting in Garden City, New York (Episcopal Diocese of Long Island); the ECM group also led presentations to the Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, the Most Rev. Edmond L. Browning.

The March discussions were characterized by a desire, on the part of the ECM representatives, to find the way forward in the spirit of Resolution 1 of Lambeth Conference 1988. The Lambeth Conference sought to maintain "the highest possible degree of Communion" between those that differ on the ordination of women to the episcopate, and spoke of "courtesy and respect," while admitting differences of "principles" that touch upon the understanding of obedience to the Gospel.

The private conversations of the ECM representatives with the Archbishop in London were direct. They recognized the need for





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continued maintenance and propagation of a traditional expression of Anglicanism within the Episcopal Church in the United States. However, the ECM did not make definitive proposals to the Archbishop as to how this end should be achieved.

Runcie assured the ECM group that its concerns had been heard by the Eames Commission, and would be discussed at the Anglican Primates meeting in Cyprus in late April, in the context of the Eames Commission report to the Primates. Runcie suggested that there might be further conversations between members of the Eames Commission and the ECM after the Cyprus meeting.

In addition to Pope, the ECM delegation to the Archbishop included the Rt. Rev. Edward H. MacBurney, diocesan of Quincy; the Rt. Rev. A. Donald Davies, executive director of the ECM; Canon Brien Koehler, executive secretary to the Bishop of Fort Worth; the Rev. Rex D. Perry, director of development, Nashotah House (Theological College); Donald Sitz, Davenport, Iowa; and George Engleman, Fort Worth, Texas.

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#### Episcopal Publisher Changes Name

WILTON, Conn. (DPS, Apr. 27) -- The management of Morehouse-Barlow Company Inc., the Episcopal publishing company with editorial offices and a retail outlet in Wilton, Connecticut, has announced a name change. Effective May 1, the company will be known as Morehouse Publishing.

Although the editorial offices and bookstore will remain in Wilton, corporate offices are now located at 3000 Canby Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17103. All inquiries regarding payments should be directed to Harrisburg -- (717) 238-9469.

Along with the announcement of their new corporate name, Morehouse has also announced the establishment of a toll-free order desk and a direct link to their new automated order processing and distribution facility. Parishes, dioceses, and individual customers



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may place orders by dialing 1-800-272-5848 between 9 A.M. and 3 P.M. (EST) and asking for Morehouse Publishing order desk.

To contact the Morehouse publications office and bookstore, write 78 Danbury Road, Wilton, Connecticut 06897.

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NECAD Announces Plans for Annual Gathering, Awareness Sunday

WASHINGTON (DPS, Apr. 27) -- The National Episcopal Coalition on Alcohol and Drugs (NECAD) has announced two important dates in its ministry. The group's Annual Gathering will be held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on June 1-3. November 19 has been set aside as national Alcohol-Drug Awareness Sunday. A theme for NECAD's 1989 program activities has also been announced: "A Quiet Revolution: Episcopalians Making a Difference."

The Annual Gathering, which will be held at Pittsburgh's Sheraton Hotel, is a conference for members and friends of NECAD. Speakers will include the Rt. Rev. Harold Hopkins, executive director of the House of Bishops Committee on Pastoral Development; Sally Michael, past president of NECAD and deputy director of the office of information at the United States Department of Agriculture; Rabbi Abraham Twerski, M. D., medical director of the Gateway Rehabilitation Center; and Roger Svednsen, prevention specialist at the Hazelden Foundation.

Award presentations will be a highlight of the conference. The organization's annual Samuel Shoemaker Award will be presented to the Rt. Rev. David Richards, recently retired executive director of the House of Bishops Committee on Pastoral Development. The new Russ Horton Award will also be presented. Alessandra Stewart will be keynote speaker, addressing the group on "Change Within the Church and Through the Church."

Alcohol-Drug Awareness Sunday in 1989 will be directed by Lavinia Orpen from the Diocese of Chicago. Materials for the event will be available in a 16-page booklet, including articles, poster, church bulletin cover, sermon, special Prayers of the People, and hymn

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suggestions. The 1989 theme has been developed into a set of one-session church school lessons for all ages. The lessons, based on the Parable of the Paralyzed Man, illustrate how caring friends "make a difference." For the first time, the sermon, Prayers of the People, and hymn selections will be available in Spanish.

Alcohol-Drug Awareness Sunday materials will be sent free to all NECAD members. For other interested people, the materials are \$5.00 a copy; bulk orders of more than 10 will be \$4.00 each. The order deadline is May 10.

For additional information contact: NECAD, 1511 K Street, NW, Suite 715, Washington, D.C. 20005; tel. (202) 737-0920.

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#### Central New York Helps in Holy Land

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (DPS, Apr. 27) -- The Episcopal Diocese of Central New York has made its own contribution toward peace in the Holy Land. Four thousand dollars was contributed toward the purchase of school bus. The bus will transport Palestinian kindergarten children from their refugee camp to the Shireen Preschool, where they share classes with Israeli children.

The contribution for the school bus was drawn from funds raised by the diocese as part of their participation in the national Venture in Mission (VIM) program in 1985, when they raised almost \$1.7 million, since used in a variety of ministries within and outside the diocese.

The diocese learned of the need for a school bus when a group of people from Central New York visited St. George's College, Jerusalem -- which has also received help through VIM.

The bus was purchased through an organization called Oz veShalom, Religious Zionists for Strength and Peace. Through Oz veShalom, Jews and Palestinians work together in a variety of projects to help Palestinian children and their families.

In expressing thanks for the gift, Yehezkel Landau, executive director of the organization, wrote to the Rt. Rev. O'Kelley Whitaker,

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diocesan of Central New York, "I can think of no finer example of interfaith cooperation for the peace of this Holy Land than Christian church bodies donating funds through an Israeli-Jewish peace movement to enable Islamic Palestinian institutions to develop and flourish here."

Whitaker spoke of the gesture made by his diocese as "...a tangible reflection of our continuing prayers for peace in the Holy Land."

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### Bishops Renew Call for End to Apartheid

CAPE TOWN, South Africa (DPS, Apr. 27) -- On April 12, the Anglican bishops in Southern Africa issued a statement renewing their support for a wide range of pressures, including prayer, negotiations, and diplomatic and economic pressure, to bring an end to apartheid in South Africa.

The Southern African bishops have also decided to "prepare for renewed initiatives" to open discussion with the white Ned Geref Kerk (NGK). Dialogue with the group was terminated last year after the NGK made a strong attack on Southern Africa's Anglican Primate, the Most Rev. Desmond Tutu.

In their April 12 statement, the Anglican bishops made specific suggestions for implementing their earlier suggestions for anti-apartheid pressure. Among other suggestions, they raised the possibility of denying landing facilities to South African Airways flights in major Western countries. They also said, "It may well be that an appropriate signal to the South African government would be a refusal on the part of the international banks to 'roll over'...South African loans. Perhaps this could be done with specific conditions attached, and a readiness to evaluate the response after a limited period."

The bishops issued their new statement in the wake of a regular (biannual) meeting of the Anglican Church's Synod of Bishops in Maputo, Mozambique, last week. The synod includes bishops from South Africa, Mozambique, Namibia, Lesotho, and Swaziland.

